

**DEPARTMENT:** NORTH TONAWANDA FIRE DEPT.  
**CLASSIFICATION:** COMPETITIVE  
**APPROVED:** MARCH 31, 2016

### **FIRE CAPTAIN**

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** An employee in this class is responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the quarters, operations, equipment, and appliances of a fire company. The incumbent assists in directing the work of all fire personnel and volunteers on his/her shift. Work is performed under the supervision of the Fire Chief or an Assistant Fire Chief. He/she may act in place of an Assistant Fire Chief when assigned. Does related work as required.

### **TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

1. Directs the work of fire personnel at scenes of fire and station;
2. Assigns fire personnel to lay out and connect hose lines and nozzles, direct hose streams, raise ladders, and ventilate buildings;
3. Supervises and assists in salvage operations during and immediately following a fire;
4. Inspects property at scene of fire to prevent re-ignition;
5. Directs ventilating and other work common to fire fighting;
6. Supervises the cleaning, checking, and replacement of tools and equipment after a fire;
7. Inspects equipment, grounds, and station to ensure proper order and condition;
8. Inspects buildings for fire hazards;
9. Completes daily report of personnel and activities;
10. Maintains discipline;
11. Supervises the maintenance and repair of all hose, nozzles, hydrant gates, fire extinguishers, and all other equipment;
12. Trains members of assigned platoon;
13. Assumes command of all scenes in the absence of the Assistant Fire Chief or Fire Chief and completes duties as assigned.

### **FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

Thorough knowledge of modern techniques of fire fighting and fire prevention; thorough knowledge of first aid methods; good knowledge of the geography of the city; ability to layout work for subordinates and to maintain discipline; ability to recognize fire hazards; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

### **PROMOTIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:**

Five (5) years of permanent competitive status as a Firefighter/Driver in the North Tonawanda Fire Department immediately preceding the date of written examination.